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Application of: Neil Loxley et al.	:	Examiner: Craig E. Church
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OF AN X-RAY TARGET	:	International Filing Date: March 27, 2000
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AMENDMENT A AND RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 29, 2003, please reconsider the above-identified application in accordance with the remarks as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendment to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 8 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 15 of this paper.